



*Winter 2002*  
**COMMENCEMENT**



MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE COLLEGE



# Thirty-ninth Commencement

10 O'Clock • Saturday • December 14, 2002

Leggett & Platt Athletic Center

Processional. "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
Invocation	Reverend Henry M. Pullum, Sr. <i>Calvary Baptist Church</i>
Welcome and Introductions	Julio S. León <i>President, Missouri Southern State College</i>
Address	Gary Nodler <i>Missouri State Senator Elect</i>
Presentation of Class	J Larry Martin <i>Vice President for Academic Affairs Missouri Southern State College</i>
Conferring of Degrees	Julio S. León
Presentation of Diplomas	J Larry Martin
Remarks	Paul Teverow <i>President, Faculty Senate</i>
Announcement of Academic Honors	J Larry Martin
Benediction	Reverend Henry M. Pullum, Sr.
Recessional "Sine Nomine"	R. V Williams & E. Rosenberg <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
Signer (for deaf)	Lewis Meyer

*Please remain seated until recessional is completed.*



## *About the Speaker*

**Gary Nodler** has had a distinguished career in the federal government working with Presidents, Senators and U.S. Representatives. A 1978 graduate of Missouri Southern State College with a B.A. in Political Science, Mr Nodler was elected in November to the Missouri State Senate, 32<sup>nd</sup> District. The Neosho native also attended Crowder College. After graduating from Missouri Southern, he joined the staff of U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor and served as Mr Taylor's district staff director until the congressman retired in 1988. President George H. W. Bush appointed Mr Nodler to serve as Regional Administrator for the United States Small Business Administration in 1989, a post he held until President Bush left office. In 1991 he was appointed to serve as a member of the Rural Policy Working Group, a cabinet-level working group of the Economic Policy Council at the White House. Mr Nodler also served as the President's advisor to the Council on Rural America. In 1997 he was appointed to a shared staff position working with Sen. Kit Bond, Sen. John Ashcroft and U.S. Rep. Roy Blunt on matters relating to small business and federal procurement. Mr. Nodler retired from the federal government in August 2000 after 23 years of service. In January 2001, he was appointed to the Bush/Cheney transition advisory team.

Mr Nodler also has extensive private sector experience. As President and owner of SoMo Cable Inc., he built and operated the cable television system in Seneca. He owned and operated a consulting business that worked with Midwest Paging Systems, Lucky Strike Fishing Lures, Hookup Corp. and Leggett & Platt. He produced and hosted *The Gary Nodler Show* on KQYX in 1997 and 1998. He served as a member of the Board of Directors of First State Bank in Monett for six years and he also served as Executive Director of the Monett Chamber of Commerce for three years.

An active member of the First United Methodist Church, he has served as a president of the Methodist Men's Club, Chairman of the Administrative Board, Trustee and is now serving as the church's Lay Member of The Missouri West Annual Conference.

Mr Nodler served in the United States Army and the Missouri National Guard and is a member of the American Legion.

Mr Nodler has been married to the former Jonece Edwards of Neosho for 28 years. They have one son and one granddaughter. The Nodlers reside in Joplin.



# Candidates for Honors & Degrees

## Baccalaureate Degrees

### Summa Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Blakeman, Rodney Dean  
Box, Barbara Jean  
Cline, Nova D E.  
Cook, Juliana Pruitt  
Deardorff, Grant W

Field, Cathleen A.  
Heard, Paula Jean  
Hess, Rupal D  
Huntley, Kendra Ann  
Lester, Tara Stearns

Lewis, Vanessa  
Parker, Kimberly Ann  
Robertson, Nannette  
Denise

Ruch, Jeffery Allan  
Shockley, Leta  
Stratton, Amy Beth †  
Thomas, Patricia  
Suzanne

### Magna Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Beezley, Eric Alan  
Chang, Malvin

Medlock, Jaime Deanne  
Moore, Chad Edwin

Neuburger, Larry Mark  
Quade, Somer Erin

Roberts, Renae Ann †  
Savic, Kosta

### Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Boey, Cheryl  
Deer, Autumn Heather  
Dunfield, Crystal Gayle

Edie, Lisa Marie  
Hoyle, Candice Megan  
Klor, Sylvia Ann Lincoln

Knight, Holly Marie  
Mitchell, Jeffrey Mark  
Morgan, Melissa Ranea

Phipps, Linda Diane  
Sage, Paul L.  
Wiele, Emily

## Associate Degrees

### First Honors

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Neil, Heather Christine

### Second Honors

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Gregory, Donald Keith

### Third Honors

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Day, Michael Earl



# *School of Arts and Sciences*

## *Bachelor of Arts*

**Anger, Silvia Rebeca**  
*Sociology*  
Webb City

**Bard, Blake Steven**  
*Communications*  
Webb City

**Belitz, Erica Mary Frances**  
*Communications*  
Joplin

**Bone, Jodie Ann**  
*Communications*  
Pineville

**Box, Barbara Jean**  
*Spanish*  
Joplin

**Brunnert, Stacey Ann**  
*Communications*  
Carthage

**Burge, Fred Allen**  
*Art*  
Granby

**Burnett, Megan**  
*International  
Studies/French*  
Joplin

**Burns, Lori Marie**  
*Communications*  
Joplin

**Convirs, Levi Norman**  
*Communications*  
Wyandotte OK

**Cook, Juliana Pruitt**  
*English*  
Joplin

**Davis, Reed Chandler**  
*Communications*  
Joplin

**Deardorff, Grant W.**  
*Communications*  
Webb City

**Dobrauc, Trent Michael**  
*Political Science*  
Carthage

**Dunn, Diana Kay**  
*French*  
Branson

**Erman, Kristin Anderson**  
*History*  
Joplin

**Fall IV, Alvin C.**  
*Art*  
Jasper

**Franklin, Leslie Ellen**  
*Art*  
Bolivar

**Frye, Deborah L.**  
*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Gitonga, Njari**  
*Communications*  
Joplin

**Glasscock, Amy Lynn**  
*Music*  
Dallas, TX

**Hollenberg, Amy Nicole**  
*Theatre*  
Nevada

**Huntley, Kendra Ann**  
*Spanish*  
Lamar

**Johnston, Michael Denver**  
*Communications*  
Jasper

**Ketchum, Scott Matthew**  
*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Klotz, Michael David**  
*Communications*  
Nevada

**Mathews, Wendie Melissa**  
*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Moser, Misty Leah**  
*Political Science*  
Joplin

**Pichler-Lewis, Vanessa**  
*French/German*  
Joplin

**Potts, Evangela Grace**  
*English*  
Joplin

**Rupp, Neal Randy**  
*Art*  
Joplin

**Sanchez, Liliana**  
*Spanish*  
Joplin

**Searcy, Andrew Paul**  
*Communications*  
Blue Springs

**Singleton, Catherine  
Elizabeth**  
*Communications*  
Seneca

**St. John, Lora Beth**  
*Spanish*  
Girard, KS

**Stevenson, Katharine Ann**  
*Theatre*  
Flower Mound, TX

**Thomas, Patricia Suzanne**  
*Spanish*  
Pierce City

**Twenter, Krista Lynn**  
*English*  
Webb City

**Williams, Carmen Lynn**  
*Communications*  
Nevada

**Williams, Scott Allen**  
*Chemistry*  
Webb City

**Youngblood, Tracy Louise**  
*Spanish*  
Diamond



## *Bachelor of Science*

**Behm, Paige Ann**  
*Biology*  
Anderson

**Berry, Jami Kathryn**  
*Biology*  
Kansas City

**Bradley, Greg Edward**  
*Sociology*  
Monett

**Brooks, Misty Brown**  
*Sociology*  
Hume

**Burkhart, Philip W.**  
*Biology*  
Neosho

**Campbell, Daniel Paul**  
*Sociology*  
Carl Junction

**Chew, Crystle Kay**  
*Sociology*  
Carl Junction

**Clark, Christopher Lee**  
*Biology*  
Joplin

**Cooke, Erin E.**  
*Biology*  
Joplin

**Durbin, Natasha Sheree †**  
*Biology*  
Seneca

**Hole, Douglas Ryan**  
*Environmental Health*  
Carl Junction

**Horine, Stephanie**  
*Biology*  
Joplin

**Kimerer, Angela Anne**  
*Sociology*  
Wyandotte, OK

**Krtek, Kurtis William**  
*Biology*  
Joplin

**Lone, Scott Edward**  
*Biology*  
Joplin

**McNary, Cindy Renee**  
*Sociology*  
Carthage

**McNaught, Michael Justin**  
*Biology*  
Lamar

**Moore, Chad Edwin**  
*Biology*  
Lamar

**Percy, Linda Marie**  
*Sociology*  
Carl Junction

**Presley, Carrie Ann**  
*Biology*  
Neosho

**Pyle-Rice, Lisa L.**  
*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Reavley, Brenton Allen**  
*Biology*  
Lamar

**Ross, Jennifer Michelle**  
*Sociology*  
Silverdale, WA

**Schulz, Christine Ann**  
*Biology*  
Chesterfield

**Simmons, Jr., Ralph W.**  
*Biology*  
Neosho

**Slaten-Bickford, Shannon E.**  
*Biology*  
Joplin

**Torrez, Ritchie Lee**  
*Sociology*  
Joplin

**Tweten, Sandra Jo**  
*Sociology*  
Nevada

**Zuber, Amanda Dawn**  
*Sociology*  
Golden City

## *School of Business*

### *Bachelor of Science*

**Baum, Dawndy Jean**  
*Management Technology*  
Webb City

**Bowen, Jacob Douglas**  
*Management Technology*  
Joplin

**Conness, Sharon K.**  
*Management Technology*  
Joplin

**Holliday, Jason Wesley**  
*Management Technology*  
Joplin



# *School of Business*

## *Bachelor of Science in Business Administration*

**Adams, Stefan William**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Armilio, Kristen Ann**  
Marketing  
Belton

**Babb, Nathaniel Franklin**  
Marketing  
Neosho

**Blair, Michael W.**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Boey, Cheryl**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Booth, Corey Ray**  
Marketing  
Siloam Springs, AR

**Bowen, Clarissa Kaye**  
Management  
Joplin

**Bowen, Jacob Douglas**  
Management  
Joplin

**Bridges, Malissa Ann**  
Management/Marketing  
Neosho

**Brower, Darrin Chandler**  
Accounting  
Joplin

**Bryant, Chris Davis**  
Marketing  
Webb City

**Chairez, Luz Aurora**  
International Business  
Joplin

**Chang, Malvin**  
Marketing/Economics  
and Finance  
Singapore

**Chase, Trevor Lee**  
Management  
Carl Junction

**Copeland, Sherry L.**  
Accounting  
Neosho

**Coulter, Casey L.**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Davis, Brandon Charles**  
Economics and Finance  
Webb City

**Denham, Joshua Dean**  
Management  
Joplin

**Dinger, Andrew J.**  
Marketing/Management  
Baxter Springs, KS

**Duncan, Stephen Kent**  
Management  
Granby

**Franklin, Andy Lee**  
International Business  
Joplin

**Gilmore, Keri A.**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Gooch, Troy Lee**  
Accounting  
Webb City

**Graham, Ramona**  
Machel  
Accounting  
Webb City

**Hansen, Luke William**  
Management  
Joplin

**Hardy, Kevin T**  
Management  
Joplin

**Harnar, Tyson James**  
Marketing  
Joplin

**Johnson, Alison A.**  
Marketing  
Overland Park, KS

**Jones, Amy Rachelle**  
Marketing  
Carl Junction

**Keen, Larry G.**  
Management  
Joplin

**Lassiter, Erica Ann**  
General Business  
Webb City

**Lett II, Melton Bruce**  
Marketing  
Goodman

**Marney, Lisa Marie**  
Economics and Finance  
Pryor, OK

**Martin, Kimarie Ann**  
General Business  
Riverton, KS

**McGuire, Erin Marie**  
Accounting  
Smithville

**Messer, Whitney L.**  
Accounting  
Joplin

**Oliver White, Alice-Ann**  
General Business  
Joplin

**Osterdyk, Misty Ann**  
Management  
Liberal

**Patrick, Jared Michael**  
Management  
Carthage

**Pierce, Jonathan Martin**  
Economics and Finance  
Owasso, OK

**Platt, Jeremie A.**  
Economics and Finance  
Butler

**Rabel, Brandon Robert**  
Don  
Finance and Economics  
Wyandotte, OK

**Reaves, Raymond**  
Dewayne  
General Business  
Joplin

**Rector, Susan G.**  
General Business  
Monett

**Ruch, Jeffery Allan**  
Accounting  
Aurora



Savic, Kosta  
*International Business/  
Management/  
Marketing*

Joplin

Schlessman, Holly  
Michelle  
*Management*  
Pineville

Schneickert, Charles  
Daniel  
*Management*  
Joplin

Scrivner, Kade Alan  
*Accounting*  
Mt. Vernon

Shockley, Leta  
*Management*  
Washburn

Sickafoose, Tanya Lee  
*Management*  
Greenfield

Smith, Billy Jo  
*General Business*  
Carthage

Snook, Heather Elaine  
*Accounting*  
Baxter Springs, KS

St. John, Lora Beth  
*International Business*  
Girard, KS

Stratton, Amy Beth †  
*Management*  
Golden City

Streight, Serena Dionne  
*Accounting*  
Joplin

Terry, Marianne †  
*Accounting/International  
Business*  
Fair Grove

Ulepich, Nathan Carl  
*Marketing*  
Frontenac, KS

White, Aaron Patrick  
*Management*  
Stella

White, Dana R.  
*Accounting*  
Nevada

Wofford, Sha-Sha Amen  
*Marketing*  
Joplin

Yocum, Philip Andrew  
*General Business*  
Joplin

## *School of Education*

### *Bachelor of Arts*

Lester, Tara Stearns  
*Psychology*  
Mt. Vernon

Rose, Sage Elizabeth  
*Psychology*  
Neosho

Zirbel, Sarah Christine  
*Psychology*  
Neosho

## *Bachelor of Science*

Betz, Betty A.  
*Psychology*  
Neosho

Cline, Nova D. E.  
*Psychology*  
Carthage

Cummings, Andrea  
Dawn  
*Psychology*  
Miami, OK

Holcomb, Jonathan Allan  
*Psychology*  
Joplin

Boley, Michelle Lee  
*Psychology*  
Cassville

Collins, Amber M.  
*Health Promotion and  
Wellness*  
Cabool

Herren, Christine Michelle  
*Psychology*  
Bronaugh

Krogh, Derek Jason  
*Health Promotion and  
Wellness*  
Joplin



**Mitchell, Ashlynn Ann**  
*Psychology*  
Carthage

**Morgan, Joanne Ardell**  
*Psychology*  
Joplin

**Shields, Tammy Kaye**  
*Psychology*  
Neosho

**Wall, Dustin Calvin**  
*Health Promotion and  
Wellness*  
Quapaw, OK

**Wyatt, Stephanie Lynn**  
*Psychology*  
Joplin

**Young, Sarah Noelle**  
*Health Promotion and  
Wellness*  
Carl Junction

## *Bachelor of Science in Education*

**Beasley, Bethni Ann**  
*English Education*  
Grove, OK

**Beecham, Andrea Lee**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Beezley, Eric Alan**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Benham, Melinda Dee**  
*Elementary Education*  
Webb City

**Bicknell, Karen**  
*Spanish Education*  
Joplin

**Blevins, Tara Michelle**  
*Middle School Education*  
Mt. Vernon

**Boggs, Cindy Jane**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Butery, Eric J**  
*Physical Education*  
St. James

**Childress, Clara Michelle**  
*Elementary Education*  
Aurora

**Christensen, Travis D.**  
*Theatre/Speech  
Communications  
Education*  
Neosho

**Clark, Carol Lee**  
*Elementary Education*  
Webb City

**Creekmore, Robert Dale**  
*Physical Education*  
Diamond

**Durman, Jennifer Marie**  
*Elementary Education*  
Seneca

**Earp, Ashlee Brook**  
*Elementary Education*  
Quapaw, OK

**Edie, Lisa Marie**  
*Elementary Education*  
Lebanon

**Edwards, Gregory Scott  
Allen**  
*Unified Science - Biology  
Education*  
Joplin

**Field, Cathleen A.**  
*Elementary Education*  
Neosho

**Hess, Rupal D.**  
*Unified Science - Biology  
Education*  
Neosho

**Hill, Sarah Beth**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carl Junction

**Hopping, Nancy Elizabeth**  
*Unified Science - Biology  
Education*  
Miami, OK

**Hoyle, Candice Megan**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carl Junction

**Ingram, Anne Marie**  
*Elementary Education*  
Seneca

**Johnson, Angela K.**  
*Social Science Education*  
El Dorado Springs

**Klor, Sylvia Ann Lincoln**  
*Elementary Education*  
Webb City

**Knight, Holly Marie**  
*Elementary Education*  
Monett

**LaMarr-Ekhoff, Judi**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carl Junction

**Leachman, Michelle Kay**  
*Elementary Education*  
Seligman

**Lundien, Shally J.**  
*Unified Science - Biology  
Education*  
Carl Junction

**McAuliff, Audrey Marie**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**McKnight, Jersvy Yaroslav**  
*Spanish Education*  
Neosho

**McVey, Monica Melissa**  
*Elementary Education*  
Aurora

**Medlock, Jaime Deanne**  
*Elementary Education*  
Webb City

**Morgan, Melissa Ranea**  
*English Education*  
Nevada

**Newby, Michael Dale**  
*Physical Education*  
Anderson

**Olsen, Eran Elliott**  
*Elementary Education*  
Webb City



**Parker, Kimberly Ann**  
*Elementary Education*  
El Dorado Springs

**Patrick, Nathan Andrew**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carthage

**Pendergraft, Carolee**  
*Elementary Education*  
Miami, OK

**Pflug, Linda L.**  
*Elementary Education*  
Seneca

**Phipps, Linda Diane**  
*French Education*  
Carl Junction

**Quade, Somer Erin**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Reed, Darcy Reagan**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Reed, Jeffery R.**  
*Elementary Education*  
Raytown

**Reynolds, Klista L.**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Roberts, Donna Nicole**  
*Elementary Education*  
Webb City

**Roberts, Renae Ann †**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Robertson, Nanette Denise**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Ryan, Amanda Kathleen**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carthage

**Schnelle, Rachel Suzanne**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carthage

**Selby, Freda K.**  
*Art Education*  
Cassville

**Short, Linda Lee**  
*Middle School Education*  
Joplin

**Smith, Deanna M.**  
*Elementary Education*  
Alba

**Stemm, Amy Lynn**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Timbrel, Kenneth  
Raymond**  
*Elementary Education*  
Joplin

**Vendelin, David George**  
*Elementary Education*  
Mt. Vernon

**Welch, Alaina Marlene**  
*English Education*  
Joplin

**Wiele Emily**  
*Elementary Education*  
Carl Junction

**Williams, Katherine  
Marie**  
*Elementary Education*  
Miami, OK

**Williamson, Ronnie Dean**  
*Business Education*  
Mt. Vernon

**Witt, Cherie Leann**  
*Business Education*  
Liberal

**Wolfe, Charles P.**  
*Physical Education*  
Lamar

## *School of Technology*

### *Bachelor of Science*

**Batesel, Jonas Sterling**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Bowen, Jacob Douglas**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Collins, Patrick Kyle**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Republic

**Deer, Autumn Heather**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Carl Junction

**Blakeman, Rodney Dean**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Nevada

**Brown, Danielle Nicole**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Davis, Michelle Lea**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Doyle, Shawn Daniel**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Botts, Libby Rose**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Mt. Vernon

**Byers, Kerry Gene**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**DeCocq, Travis**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Galena, KS

**Dunfield, Crystal Gayle**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Bella Vista, AR



**Fitch, Amanda Sue**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**George, Holly Jean**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Aurora

**Gibson, David Michael**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Gray, Ian Andrew**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Hart, Richard Andrew**  
*Management Technology  
(MIMS)*  
Joplin

**Heard, Paula Jean**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Nevada

**Hilton, Crystal Darlene**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Aurora

**Ingle, Jason Scott**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Johnson, Sr. Charles  
Edward**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Johnson, Christopher S.**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Stockton

**Johnson, Danny A.**  
*Management Technology  
(MIMS)*  
Joplin

**Le, Anton Dat**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Carthage

**McInturff, Laban Elton**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Purdy

**McInturff, Nathan Lowell**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Purdy

**Meile, Priscilla Ann**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Nevada

**Mitchell, Jeffrey Mark**  
*Management Technology  
(MIMS)*  
Carthage

**Monholland, Jaron Kijika**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Kissee Mills

**Moore, Julie Suzanne**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Neuburger, Larry Mark**  
*Management Technology  
(MIMS)*  
Sheldon

**Osterdyk, Troy Lynn**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Liberal

**Page, Rhonda F.**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Seneca

**Peck, Malynda Suzette**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Diamond

**Powell, Monte Selvan**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Neosho

**Poyner, Vanessa Lee**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Fort Scott, KS

**Price, Mindy L.**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Pryor, John David**  
*Management Technology  
(MIMS)*  
Carl Junction

**Pyle, Bryan David**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Sage, Paul**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Shumpert, Terrence  
Lamont**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Paducah, KY

**Smith, Leigh Shane**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Carl Junction

**Smith, Tracy**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Lee's Summit

**Sousley, Angela Dawn**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Springfield

**Tucker, Joshua Dean**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Walker, Matthew C. R.**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Ward, Holly Lee**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Waynesville

**Waugh, Bridget Kay**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Coffeyville, KS

**Webb, Jocelyn Ann**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Joplin

**Williams, Michael Lee**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Joplin

**Williams, Timothy J.**  
*Criminal Justice  
Administration*  
Anderson

**Winter, Jared M.**  
*Computer Information  
Science*  
Aurora



## *Bachelor of General Studies*

**Carr, Jeffrey Scott**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Carter, Jessica Allyson**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Dominguez, Carol**  
General Studies  
Carthage

**Galbraith, John Chadwell**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Hennen, Doug**  
General Studies  
Duenweg

**Perales, Juan Gabriel**  
General Studies  
Webb City

**Ratcliff, Megan Delia**  
General Studies  
Lamar

**Stephens, Doug**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Turner, Erin Nicole**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Walker, Teresa Ann**  
General Studies  
Carthage

## *Associate of Arts*

**Biard, Tina Marie**  
General Studies  
Oklahoma City, OK

**Boswell, Valerie**  
General Studies  
Sarcoxie

**Carr, Autumn Marie**  
General Studies  
Joplin

**Day, Michael Earl**  
General Studies  
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# Academic Attire

As early as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.